

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel the claims as indicated and amend the claims as indicated.

1) (Previously Amended) A media provider system, comprising:

a user interface, the user interface being a website that allows the user to
preview, select and purchase media files;

a customer database capable of holding data or information about a plurality of
customers, such information including name, shipping address, billing
address, media preferences, past purchases, and payment information;

a media database containing information about a plurality of media files
available for purchase, such information including cost, length, available
formats, ratings, credits, ownership, royalty requirements, and
representative samples of each media file to be used for customer
previews and selection of customization options;

a recording database containing information about a plurality of recordings made
by the system, such information including recording number, media serial
number, time and date of the recording, and a reference key to the
customer record in the customer database for the purchaser of the
recording;

at least one database server containing the customer, media and recording
databases;

at least one media file customization server for computing customizations on media file samples for the website;

a digital ID generation software application referencing the customer database, the digital ID generation software application generating unique digital identification numbers that reference purchases in the recording database;

a job-control master computer system, the job-control master computer system managing the duplication jobs, the job control master directing each duplication job to a processing job queue of a particular recording cluster based on efficiency principles;

a media file archival server storing less popular media files and allowing for backup of the media files;

a plurality of media file clusters each containing a media file master server, a processing job queue, at least one media generation client, a generation queue, at least one media generation client, a generation queue, at least one package printing client, a package printing queue, at least one media-recording client, a recording queue and a media network;

the media file master server obtaining a job from the processing job queue, acquiring files for the job in at least one area consisting of a media master file server local storage and the media file archival server, the media master file server sending the jobs requiring customization work to the generation queue and sending jobs not requiring customization work to

the recording queue, the media generation client retrieving the job from the generation queue, performing customization work and returning the job to the master media file server, the media recording client retrieving the job from the recording queue and duplicating the files together with the unique digital identification number on a recording medium;

a web site network allowing for communications between the web site server, database server(s) and job control master computer system; and

a job control and archival network allowing for communications between the databases server(s), the job control master computer system, the media file archival server and a plurality of media file clusters.

2) (Canceled)

3) (Canceled)

4) (Twice amended) The media provider system of claim ~~35~~ 1 further comprising:

at least one packaging printer queue, the packaging printer queue receiving jobs from the media file master server that allow for printing of labels and inserts ~~to~~ to be used in the product packaging for the completed recording.

5) (currently amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein the customized job is communicated to the recording queue via the media file master server.

6) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 further comprising:

~~a user interface, the user interface being a website server and communicating jobs to the job control master; and~~

~~a customer database capable of holding data or information about a plurality of customers, such information including name, shipping address, billing address, media preferences, past purchases, and payment information;~~

~~at least one database server containing the customer database; and~~

a web site network allowing for communications between the web site server,

and the at least one database server(s) server.

7) (canceled)

8) (canceled)

9) (canceled)

10) (canceled)

11) (Twice amended) The media provider system of claim 35 further comprising: a wherein the media file archival server that obtains files in at least one area from the group consisting of local storage and the media file archival servers; and
~~an archival network allowing for communication between the media file archival server and a plurality of media file clusters.~~

12) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein the media recording client places a customer specific digital identifier on recorded copies.

13) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein the files include at least one member selected from the group consisting of videos, games, electronic pictures and sound recordings.

14) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein at least one recording cluster is strictly for recording popular media choices.

15) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein the media files are encrypted.

16) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 further comprising a recorder, the media recording client controlling the recorder with respect to insertion of, recording to and removal of a recording medium.

17) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein the files are duplicated on a recording medium selected from the group consisting of cassette tapes, DVDs, CDROMs, floppy discs, and video tapes.

18) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein multiple types of media files are recorded on one specimen of a recording medium.

19) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein each media file master server maintains ~~several~~ a plurality of media files that are the more popular customer selections.

20) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 ~~further comprising a media generation client,~~ wherein the media file master server ~~sending~~ communicates a job requiring a computation to the media generation client.

21) (Twice amended) The media provider of claim 35 1 wherein the media generation client performs computations on media files, modifies media files and generates media files.

22) (twice amended) The media provider system of claim 35 1 wherein the media generation client sends the files for a job to the recording queue.

23) (twice amended) The media provider system of claim 35 1 further comprising;
a downloadable applet for a web browser allowing media file customization
options to be interactively computed, previewed and selected; and
transmission of customization option selections from the applet to the web site.

24) - 35) (canceled)